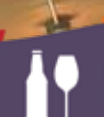


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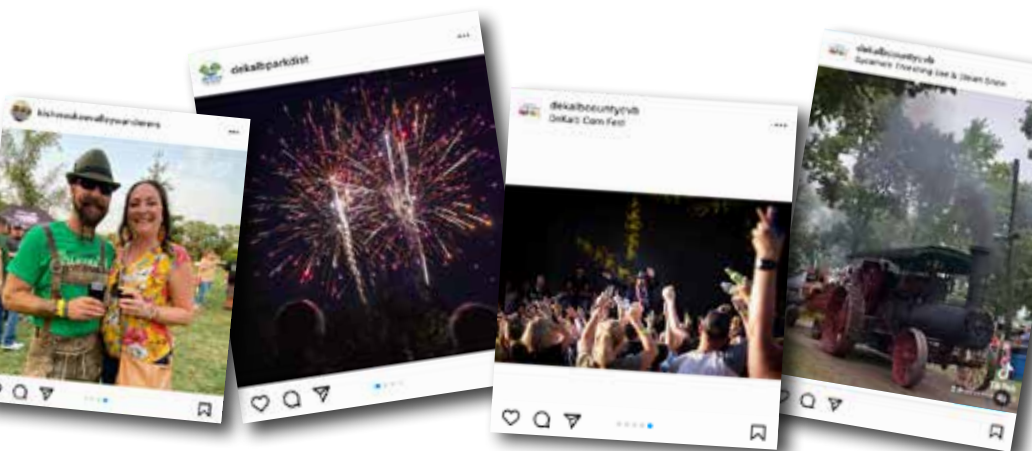


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DeKalb County is rich in history. Settlers came in 1834 for our fertile soil, hunting, and food supply. The county was named in honor of Johann de Kalb, a German hero of the American Revolutionary War.

DeKalb County's industrial heritage is rooted in the agriculture industry. Barbed wire manufacturing was a booming business in 19th century DeKalb. The Sandwich Manufacturing Co. and Marsh Harvester Co. produced farm machinery; Gurler Brothers Pure Milk used early scientific processes to deliver a quality product to customers. DeKalb AgResearch created the famous "flying ear" logo for its revolutionary hybrid seed corn – the company was later acquired by Monsanto, which later merged with Bayer.

DeKalb also is home to Northern Illinois University, a public research university with 17,000 students, which was founded in 1895.

There are many guided and self-guided tours throughout our county. Some of our most notable attractions in DeKalb are the Egyptian Theatre, one of the last Egyptian movie palaces in the United States, the Ellwood House Museum, the Haish Memorial Library, and Altgeld Hall. In Sycamore you will find the historic Elmwood Cemetery, The Chicago and Northwestern Depot, and the Marsh House. In Sandwich, visit the Sandwich City Hall and Opera House as well as the Von Kleinsmid Mansion.

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If you would like to see the history of DeKalb County, visit one of our many history museums or historical societies. There are many historic sites to include in your visit such as Ellwood House Museum where you can see the history of barbed wire in their visitor's center. If art is a favorite, visit one of our art galleries or the NIU Art Museum.

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We pride ourselves on having farm-to-table options for produce, and the area is home to several family orchards and farms to visit for fresh produce. Don't forget to visit our famers' markets for fresh produce and homemade food, wine and pasteries.

A number of DeKalb County farms also have activities for the entire family. Jonamac Orchard in Malta offers a corn maze, an apple cannon and a barnyard tour for the children. Yaeger's Farm Market in DeKalb and area farm and produce markets offer seasonal activities as well. For more information, visit the sites listed in this section.

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Sports & RECREATION

We offer many fun-filled recreational activities in our county including kayaking, fishing, ice skating, disc golf, biking, golf, camping, and hiking. DeKalb County also offers horseback riding, skateboarding, skydiving, swimming, and so much more.

If golf is your game, visit one or all eight of the public golf courses in our county. If miniature golf is more your speed we have that too! And you might want to try one of our disc golf parks.

Looking for fun in the great outdoors? Shabbona Lake State Park in Shabbona, called the "Muskie Capitol of Illinois," holds four state Muskie fishing records. They offer camping sites, cabins, pontoon boats and kayak rentals.

DeKalb County has an active sports scene, with many regional events held here. We are home to the NIU Huskies' NCAA Division I athletics program as well as the DeKalb County United, who competes in the United Premier Soccer League. NIU Huskie Stadium also hosts the IHSA football tournament odd-numbered years through 2021, while the NIU Convocation Center is home to men's and women's basketball as well as a variety of other events.

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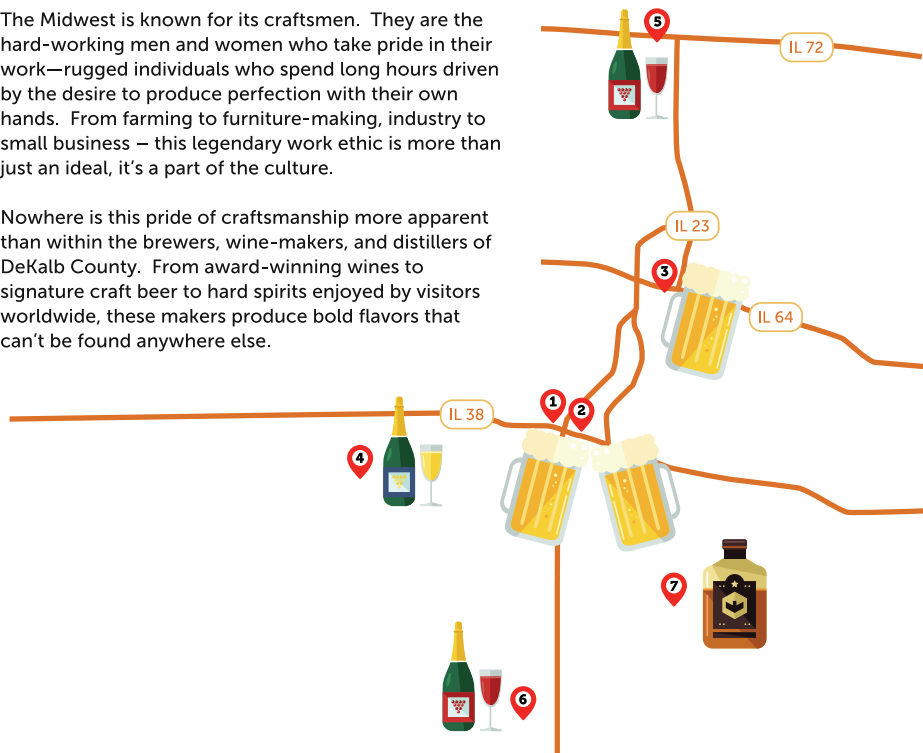
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The reasons residents love Sandwich is why you'll keep coming back...festivals, dining, entertainment, and small-town hospitality. Sandwich is home to the Sandwich Fair, which has been held every year since 1889, making it the oldest continuing county fair in the State of Illinois. The rural community is also known as a haven for antique hunters, with over a dozen shops offering antiques and other unique home décor and specialty items. Among our many restaurants is the Bull Moose Bar & Grille, housed in a 1893 Pullman Palace Car Company dining car, once used by President Teddy Roosevelt. For entertainment, catch a show at the historic Sandwich Opera House built in 1878 that features family-friendly live music and theatre. We look forward to seeing you in our "fair" city.

Shabbona

Shabbona is home to Shabbona Lake State Park, Chief Shabbona Forest Preserve, and Indian Oaks Golf Course, which all have Native American names associated with them in honor of Chief Shab-eh-ney (or Shabbona) of the Potawatomi Nation. Shabbona is easily accessible from I-88 & I-39 and is on Route 30 in southern DeKalb County. Located about halfway between Lake Michigan and the Mississippi River, there are local restaurants and services available in this historic village. Shabbona Lake State Park has a 318-acre man-made lake that is the “Muskie Capital of Illinois,” and it is the only lake in Illinois specifically for fishing but also attracts many kayakers and wind surfers. The campground at Shabbona Lake has 150 Class A campsites. The 6.5 miles of wooded shoreline has five earthen fishing piers, a handicap-accessible fishing pier, and is open year-round drawing over 425,000 visitors annually.

Somonauk

The Village of Somonauk lies at the southern end of DeKalb County. The Village, Somonauk Fire Dept., YMCA, Heartland Bank, Somonauk Library, and some of the area businesses hosts annually the Somonauk Hometown Harvest. This event includes vendors, local authors, a truck & tractor show, face painting, donut eating contest, and more. It's fun for the entire family!

Sycamore

Sycamore is a warm, vibrant city full of suburban sophistication and historic charm. Experience our many annual events and festivals, downtown shopping, and unique dining options. Take time to explore our museums and relax in our parks. Enjoy the beautiful 100-year old courthouse in the heart of the historic downtown business district or unique finds in our shopping district. We invite you to stay, shop, dine and enjoy our charming city. For more information visit discoversycamore.com.

Waterman

This tranquil community is taking on a new look. Waterman is a village rich in agricultural and historical traditions located at the intersection of Rt. 30 and Rt. 23. Take a miniature train ride and enjoy the playground and skate park year-round in Lions Community Park. Stop by our winery and vineyard and try some lively local wines. Join us for Summer Fest the 3rd Saturday in July. Visit our local orchard to enjoy cider donuts, pick apples, or find the perfect pumpkin. Come back in November for the Lions Club Gobbler Gallop 5K race. Enhance your holiday traditions with a farm-fresh HOKA turkey. Waterman awaits to share its charm with you.

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